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SHEPHERD'S

GLADIOLUS 1927 SPECIALS

APART FROM GENERAL LIST

Grown by R. Douglas & Wilson, Fairfield
This list is sent out apart from our general 1927 list,
as these are all grown by one grower for us and the stock is not large enough to go into our catalogue.

Purchasers will note that certain kinds in this special list are sure to be sold early, but any we are unable to supply we will refund money on.

THEY ARE ALL SENT POST FREE.

P. L. C. Shepherd & Son, Ltd.

734 GEORGE STREET, SYDNEY

New South Wales,
100 Years Established.

Australia.

2 NEW GLADIOLI

BLUE BEAUTY AND DESERT GOLD

PRICE, £1 EACH; POST FREE.

Varieties marked \times originated by
B. Douglas, Barrow, Fairfield, W. S.W. Australia

When our grower offered us these two fine new ones at a higher price than usual we immediately asked—"Are they worth £1 each and will anyone buy them?"—The Grower replied—"Much higher prices are paid in other parts for new Gladioli, and these are really outstanding varieties. The general public may not buy them, but fanciers and those in the trade will gladly do so."

"In 15 years I have originated many new and beautiful ones, but only once before had the luck to grow one worthy of an outside price."—"Blue Beauty" will stand alone as the bluest of blues whilst "Desert Gold" is the largest of self yellows.

Growers and Hybridisers often find it profitable to secure stock of good new ones. Growers have often given more than £1 for a gladiolus bulb and consider it paid them well to do so, as they were able to work up from it quite a stock for sale and get in early whilst the price was still up.

£1—BLUE BEAUTY: The newest and bluest blue. This lovely new variety is a distinct advance on the older types. The outer part of the flower is a good medium blue shade (the bluest yet seen in a gladiolus), with rich violet blue blotches and white lips in centre of lower petals. A fine spike of beautiful firm-petaled flowers, 7 to 10 open at a time. It is the strongest growing blue yet handled, and is sure to be a first favourite with exhibitors, florists, and all "blue glad" lovers as soon as larger supplies are available. Only a few bulbs, £1 each.

£1—DESERT GOLD: Another splendid new variety, having immense flowers of a beautiful clear self yellow. Compared with the favorite variety "Golden Measure," "Desert Gold" has slightly richer colour, very much larger flowers, and lighter flower stems, which are more graceful, and less likely to blow over. As a glowing piece of yellow colour, it quite eclipses any other gladiolus. Hardy and vigorous, it should prove a commercial favourite, as well as a splendid exhibition flower. Just a few bulbs, £1 each.

SPECIAL GLADIOLI LIST *Continued*

5/- SWEET ROSE: A fine new American variety. Very massive flowers on tall, strong plant, of pure deep rose-pink, with extra large red throat-blotches. A bright, distinct colour, a strong grower, and very showy. (Stock limited.) Price 5/- each, post free.

5/- PINK CLOUD: Another popular American. A beautiful shaded soft rose pink flower, prettily frilled and ruffled, with blotch of salmon pink with crimson line giving a lovely sunset effect in centre of the flower. A very beautiful "glad" and sure to be a great favourite as it becomes more plentiful. (Stock limited.) Price 5/- each, post free.

3/6 PETER: A fine upstanding variety with tall spikes of clear lemon yellow flowers; small, brown-red, blotches on lower petals. Always well-faced with ten to twelve large flowers open at a time; "Peter" can be specially recommended as a dependable exhibition variety. Price 3/6, post free. *84*

2/6. MRS. L. S. SCHWEPPPE: One of Kunderd's 1925 novelties. A very pleasing shade of peach pink with rich-coloured blotches. It is well-faced and a very vigorous grower. The bright showy colour always attracts attention and it is sure to be very popular when known. Price 2/6 each. Post free.

2/6. KUNDERD'S MARSHAL FOCH: A fine strong-growing gladiolus. Bright salmon-pink, shading lighter in centre with scarlet spot in throat. Immense wide-open flowers with firm, round petals, slightly frilled. Price 2/6 each. Post free.

2/6. HORACE: A bright rich red, well-faced and showy; fine spikes, and a good grower. (Stock limited.) Price 2/6 each. Post Free.

2/6. STAR: A bright, showy red, with peculiar star-like white lines through centre of petals. It is somewhat variable in colour, sometimes having the white line through all the petals at other times only in two or three petals, but it is always bright and pretty. (Stock limited.) Price 2/6 each. Post free.

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SPECIAL LIST OF GLADIOLI *Continued*

2/6. BOBBIE DOUGLAS: A tall, handsome variety, with immense flowers of softest pink ground colour, heavily splashed and veined clear rose, giving a soft rose-pink effect. The exceptionally large flowers and pretty colour make a very showy and attractive "glad." Price 2/6 each. Post free.

2/6. WINKLE: A bright and pleasing shade of lavender blue, with throat of pure spotless white. The contrast of blue and white is very pleasing, and with five to seven fair sized flowers open at a time, Winkle makes many friends. Price 2/6 each. Post free.

2/-. ALICE: Immense flowers of a lovely light pink with small crimson lines in throat. A splendid variety and quite distinct. Extra good for florists pale pink work, the large round flowers gleaming like beautiful pink lilies among the foliage. One of the largest gladioli and a strong, vigorous grower. Price 2/- each, post free.

2/-. HAL. EYRE: Another of the new giants, with immense flowers of a rich velvet red, veined and marbled with a darker shade. A fine, tall, strong-growing variety. Price 2/- each. Post free.

1/6. GOLD: A fine yellow self. Clear, light yellow, deeper in throat. Well-faced spikes and flowers prettily placed on light graceful stems. A very popular variety. Price 1/6 each. Post free.

1/6. JEWELL: A primulinus hybrid, but with larger, less hooded flowers than most "prims." Colour a creamy salmon-pink at edges with pure yellow throat. A distinct and beautiful colour. Price 1/6 each. Post free.

1/-. HOPE: A large-flowered white. Hardy and vigorous, good for garden and for floral work. Price 1/- each. Post free.

1/-. LORD ALVERSTONE: A very fine crimson, shading to purple in centre. Large flowers and long spikes. Brilliant and distinct in colour. Price 1/- each. Post free.

1/-. SHASTA: A fine white; with large well opened flowers of a good, clear white, well set on stem. Price 1/- each. Post free.

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